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Dr. Julie Gerberding

Subject: Oppose New CDC Regulations

Dear Dr. Gerberding:

Please withdraw the proposed new CDC regulations that threaten proven effective HIV prevention efforts. Rather than promote comprehensive, science based prevention methods, these guidelines blatantly disregard tried and true programs, taking decision making powers away from the groups most familiar with the at-risk populations and placing it instead in the hands of ideologically motivated political appointees.

Discouraging condom use by saying it is ineffective is, in my opinion, criminal behavior. (Taking a world view, it is genocide in Africa). Condom use is how the gay community virtually brought the spread of HIV to a halt in the late 80s and early 90s. The ideological zealots promoting this misinformation seem to view the US as their private religious domain and view science as some sort of inferior value system.

Please fight this American Taliban and their efforts to send us back to the dark ages. Reject these proposed regulations.

Sincerely,

Michael Summy